

Pima County/Tucson Women's Commission

**Full Commission Meeting
Wednesday, May 21, 2008**

Adopted Minutes

Commissioners present: Yolanda Broyles-González, Wendy Cevallos, Lucinda Hughes-Juan, Michael Mandel, Gypsy Lyle, Dinah McGlory, Kaitlin Meadows, Renee Palting, Isabella Soto, Mary Lee Wright

Commissioners absent: Barbara Clarihew (chair), Cathleen Becskehazy, Barbara Epperson, Moniqua Lane, Samantha Paz, Michele Roland-Schwartz

Staff present: Monica Mueller

Public: Hillary Rosenfeld

- 1) **Call to Order:** Gypsy Lyle called the meeting to order at 5:35.
- 2) **Call to Public:** Introduction of Hillary Rosenfeld.
- 3) **Agenda Review:** No changes.
- 4) **Review/Approve Draft Minutes of Last Meeting (4/16/08):** M Mandel moves to approve; K Meadows seconds; all in favor.
- 5) **Announcements**
- 6) **Discuss & take action on:**
 - a. **Treasurer report:** Presented and discussed. K Meadows moves to approve; I Soto seconded; all in favor.
 - b. **Executive Director Report:** Presented as a handout and discussed. ML Wright moves to approve; K Meadows seconds; all in favor.
 - c. **Committee reports with questions to committee chairs**
 - i. **Youth Issues** – Committee members reported on the Speak Out! conference held April 26th. 44 middle and high school students attended representing 17 schools. Last Youth Issues mtg focused on organizers' own evaluations of the conference, and reviewed a summary of the participant evaluations (also passed around at today's mtg). Evaluations very positive. One of this year's participants attended the Youth Issues meeting and is interested to continue in planning future Speak Outs. Committee brainstormed and documented lessons learned and ideas for next year. Tentative date for next Speak Out February 2009.
 - ii. **Women's Issues** – Chair G Lyle and M Mueller gave updates on a) Women's Equality Day 2008 planning (our summer intern has started work on this); the Full Commission contributed additional history and ideas; b) a possible media/PSA project for girls in partnership with a friend of K Meadows affiliated with WomanKraft; and c) research and writing being conducted by this committee and the GLBT Commission re our respective histories of communications with the Tucson Fire Department and re how other fire departments around the country manage diversity and related grievances. At the June meeting each commission will present their work to date.
 - iii. **Development** – No committee meeting last month. En lieu of a meeting, M Mandel and M Mueller attended the city budget study session and M Mandel spoke on behalf of the Commission to advocate for funding. In April M Mandel and M Roland Schwartz held a house party for development/fundraising; three

participants including Hillary Rosenfeld, who is interested to become a commissioner. G Lyle agreed to hold a house party.

- iv. **Education and Outreach** – Chair Palting reported on the progress of the Web site redesign: waiting for completion of tasks from commissioners and staff re editing site content; Web link with Jobing.com confirmed; once our site is finalized we'll revisit our print brochure and aim for them to be compatible in "look"; M Mandel offered his skills in creating Web video.

No legal actions taken or required.

7) **Policies & decision making:**

- a. **Annual retreat – update re facilitator, location, agenda:** June 21 confirmed at SACASA, 1600 N. Country Club. Time TBA. M Mueller and B Clarihew will jointly select the facilitator. They are in communication with two facilitators and will be meeting with them to discuss needs and cost. No legal actions taken or required.
- b. **Planning for Women's Equality Day (August 26, 2008):** Commissioners provided history of past events and brainstormed ideas and possible partnerships for this year:
 - i. Event has always been held at the Commission. Pro = brings people in to the Commission; con = heat; same audience.
 - ii. Something we can do to promote voter registration? Partner with someone to do so? (set up outside of libraries?)
 - iii. Women's Foundation can do an email blast on our event, include in their newsletter
 - iv. Possible partners: AWPC? AZ Attorney General's Office Civil Rights Division (W Cevallos works in consumer fraud division)?; League of Women Voters? Women's Foundation? NOW? Las Adelitas (W Cevallos = vice chair); Women's Resource Center? GLBT Commission? Wingspan?

No legal actions taken or required.

- c. **Planning for a possible women's organizations resource fair in October:** Discussion of possibilities. No legal actions taken or required.

8) **Adjourn:** Michael Mandel moves to adjourn; Wendy Cevallos seconds; all in favor.

Submitted by Monica Mueller